STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

IN THE MATTER OF)	
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Rates for Credit Accident and Health)	
Insurance Sold in Conjunction with)	
Consumer Credit Transactions subject to)	
the South Carolina Consumer Protection)	
Code (S.C. Code Ann. § 37-1-101 et seq.),)	ORDER
Other Than Loans Made Under 1966 S.C.)	Number 2008-01
Act No. 988)	
Approved Rates for 2009 Basic Statistical	<u></u>	
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This matter comes before me for final approval of rates for credit accident and health insurance sold in conjunction with loans subject to the South Carolina Consumer Protection Code, other than loans made under S.C. Act No. 988. Pursuant to the provisions of S.C. Code Ann. Section 37-1-101, et seq. (1976, as amended) and 25 A S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 69-11.1 (1976, as amended), this Order sets and establishes rates for use during 2009 for accident and health insurance sold in conjunction with consumer credit transactions subject to the South Carolina Consumer Protection Code (S.C. Code Ann. § 37-1-101 et seq.), other than loans made under Act No. 988 of 1966.

I, Scott H. Richardson, the duly appointed, qualified, and acting Director of Insurance, having fully considered and reviewed the recommendations of staff, together with all written submissions, applicable rebuttals, and all other relevant documents, and further, being fully advised on all premises, hereby find and conclude:

The tentative rates for the above-referenced insurance products were reviewed along with other pertinent data by Department actuaries. The tentative rates were sent to all insurers of record selling credit accident and health insurance products in South Carolina on August 1, 2008 and published in South Carolina Department of Insurance Bulletin 2008-11, with notice that any insurer which felt aggrieved by such rates would have 15 days to request a public hearing. No hearing request was received by the Department. Moreover, no insurer took exception to the information contained in the bulletins about the tentative rates. Accordingly, the Department's actuarial staff recommended the approval of the tentative rates for 2009.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT the single premium rates per \$100 of initial indebtedness for 2009 are unchanged from the 2008 rates and are as follows:

<u>Period</u>	14-Day Retro	30-Day Retro
12 Months	\$1.70	\$1.60
24 Months	2.30	2.20

36 Months	2.90	2.80
48 Months	3.40	3.30
60 Months	3.90	3.80
72 Months	4.30	4.20
84 Months	4.70	4.60
96 Months	5.00	4.90
108 Months	5.30	5.20
120 Months	5.60	5.50
132 Months	5.90	5.80
144 Months	6.10	6.00
156 Months	6.30	6.20
168 Months	6.50	6.40
180 Months	6.70	6.60

For periods which do not equal an integral number of years, the rates may be interpolated to the upper quarter of a year but finer interpolations will be permitted to the equivalent of the nearest month. Thus, for example, the rates for a period from 0 to 3 months for the 14-day plan would be one-fourth of \$1.70 or \$.43.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED THAT the Basic Statistical Plan must consist of the submission of the information required by 25A S.C. Code Ann. Reg. 69-11.1 (1976, as amended) for 14-day and 30-day retroactive accident and health insurance. Submission of the Credit Insurance Experience Exhibit filed in conjunction with the Annual Statement will satisfy this requirement. Insurers are also reminded that the above Regulation requires that each insurer notify the Department by December 1st of each year of its intention to use rates no higher than those promulgated.

This order shall take effect immediately.

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Director

Columbia, South Carolina September **30**, 2008